

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by: (HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING A CLARIFICATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES' REQUIREMENT TO GIVE NOTICE REGARDING REPAYMENT OF SERVICES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 17b-77 of the general statutes is
- 2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 3 1, 2011):
- 4 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall notify each applicant
- 5 for aid under the state supplement program, medical assistance
- 6 program, temporary family assistance program and state-administered
- 7 general assistance program [and each person who may be liable for
- 8 repayment of such aid, if known,] of the provisions of sections 17b-93
- 9 to 17b-97, inclusive, in general terms, at the time of application for
- such aid. [or, in the case of a person who may be liable for repayment
- of such aid The commissioner shall notify each person who may be
- 12 <u>liable for repayment of such aid, if known, of the provisions of sections</u>
- 13 <u>17b-93 to 17b-97, inclusive, in general terms</u>, not later than thirty days
- 14 after the applicant is determined to be eligible for such aid or, if not
- 15 known at the time the applicant is determined to be eligible for such

- 16 <u>aid, the department shall give such notice not later than thirty days</u>
- 17 after the date on which the commissioner identifies such person as one
- 18 who may be liable for repayment of such aid. The notice shall be (1)
- 19 written in plain language, (2) in an easily readable and understandable
- 20 format, and (3) whenever possible, in the first language of the
- 21 applicant or person who may be liable for repayment of such aid.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2011	17b-77(b)

Statement of Purpose:

To clarify the time frame for the Department of Social Services to notify persons who may be liable for repayment of public assistance benefits of their obligation.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]